

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 1312 - SB 1451

March 8, 2023

SUMMARY OF BILL: Establishes the criteria for a physician licensed outside the United States or Canada who has completed a residency program or otherwise practiced as a medical professional performing the duties of a physician for at least three of the last five years to become licensed in this state. Beginning January 1, 2024, requires the Board of Medical Examiners (BME) to grant a provisional license to practice medicine to an international medical graduate who meets the established qualifications. Requires a provisional licensee who is in good standing two years after initial licensure to be granted a full and unrestricted license to practice medicine.

FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- It is assumed that the Department of Health and the BME can issue provisional licenses and adopt any necessary rules within existing personnel and resources.
- The BME currently has a process to accept applications from medical professionals licensed outside of the United States and Canada.
- There is not estimated to be a significant increase in applications from physicians licensed outside the United States or Canada as a result of the proposed legislation; therefore, any fiscal impact is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Krista Lee Carsner".

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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